

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No.	: 10/009,990	Confirmation No. 6720
Applicant:	: Earl Harling, et.al.	
Filed	: June 30, 2003	
TC/A.U.	: 3743	
Examiner:	: Amadeus S. Lopez	
Docket No.	: NIDN-73132	
Customer No.	: 36335	

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 10, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Applicants hereby Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response for three (3) months from January 10, 2007 through April 10, 2007. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$1020.00 to Deposit Account No. 502-665.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.16(j) or 37 CFR 1.136(a) which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 502-665 in the name of GE Healthcare, Inc.

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